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In re **Rule 1.53(b) Continuation** Appln. of)
U.S. Serial No. 09/534,072)
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Serial No. Not yet assigned) Prior Group Art Unit: 1642
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For: PROSTATE SPECIFIC GENE, PCGEM1, AND METHODS OF USING
PCGEM1 TO DETECT, TREAT, AND PREVENT PROSTATE CANCER

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are included in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are included in the attached replacement drawing sheet. The amendments are discussed in this paper and are illustrated in the attached annotated drawing sheet.

Remarks follow the amendment sections of this paper.

Attachments to this amendment include the replacement drawing sheet (Attachment A), an annotated drawing sheet (Attachment B), and a copy of a substitute

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Sequence Listing, which was filed on September 9 2002, in parent application No.
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